



Iowa Ag News – Cattle on Feed

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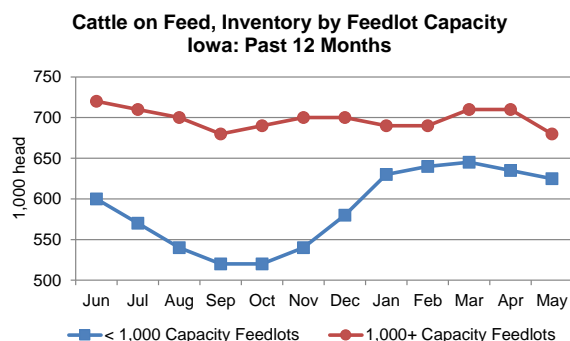
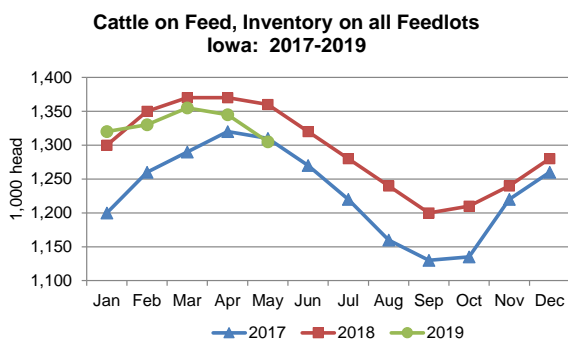
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Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 680,000 head on May 1, 2019, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Cattle on Feed* report. This was down 4 percent from April 1, 2019, and down 7 percent from May 1, 2018. Iowa feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head had 625,000 head on feed, down 2 percent from last month and down 1 percent from last year. Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in all Iowa feedlots totaled 1,305,000 head, down 3 percent from last month and down 4 percent from last year.

Placements of cattle and calves in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during April totaled 85,000 head, down 18 percent from last month but up 6 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head placed 66,000 head, up 20 percent from last month and up 27 percent from last year. Placements for all feedlots in Iowa totaled 151,000 head, down 5 percent from last month but up 14 percent from last year.

Marketings of fed cattle from Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during April totaled 113,000 head, up 13 percent from last month and up 30 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head marketed 72,000 head, up 16 percent from last month and up 44 percent from last year. Marketings for all feedlots in Iowa were 185,000 head, up 14 percent from last month and up 35 percent from last year. **Other disappearance** from all feedlots in Iowa totaled 6,000 head.

NOTE: This report is a combination of estimates from the USDA *Cattle on Feed* survey for Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head and the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship-funded *Cattle on Feed* survey for Iowa feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head.



All Cattle on Feed – Iowa

Item	Feedlots 1,000+ capacity (1,000 head)	Feedlots less than 1,000 capacity (1,000 head)	All feedlots (1,000 head)
Cattle on feed ¹ , April 1, 2019	710	635	1,345
April placements	85	66	151
April marketings	113	72	185
April other disappearance ²	2	4	6
Cattle on feed, May 1, 2019.....	680	625	1,305

Cattle on Feed, Placements, Marketings, and Other Disappearance by Month, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots – Selected States and United States: 2018-2019

State	Cattle on feed ¹ May 1			Placements during April			Marketings during April			Other disappearance ² during April		
	2018	2019	'19 as % of '18	2018	2019	'19 as % of '18	2018	2019	'19 as % of '18	2018	2019	'19 as % of '18
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Arizona	298	313	105	26	25	96	21	25	119	1	1	100
California	500	530	106	59	63	107	56	65	116	3	3	100
Colorado	940	1,060	113	145	170	117	150	165	110	5	5	100
Idaho	255	285	112	28	31	111	21	30	143	2	1	50
Iowa	730	680	93	80	85	106	87	113	130	3	2	67
Kansas	2,290	2,380	104	380	435	114	420	420	100	10	15	150
Minnesota	155	140	90	12	11	92	16	20	125	1	1	100
Nebraska	2,660	2,560	96	420	435	104	430	440	102	20	15	75
Oklahoma	310	305	98	60	58	97	59	67	114	1	1	100
South Dakota	255	245	96	25	27	108	27	30	111	3	2	67
Texas	2,630	2,790	106	385	415	108	445	465	104	10	10	100
Washington	210	235	112	27	40	148	26	28	108	1	2	200
Other States	325	295	91	48	47	98	45	60	133	3	2	67
United States ...	11,558	11,818	102	1,695	1,842	109	1,803	1,928	107	63	60	95

¹ Cattle on feed are steers and heifers being fed a ration of grain, silage, hay and/or protein supplement for slaughter market that are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. It excludes cattle being "backgrounded only" for later sale as feeders or later placement in another feedlot.

² Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

UNITED STATES CATTLE ON FEED

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.8 million head on May 1, 2019. The inventory was 2 percent above May 1, 2018. This is the highest May 1 inventory since the series began in 1996.

Placements in feedlots during April totaled 1.84 million head, 9 percent above 2018. Net placements were 1.78 million head. During April, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 355,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 250,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 447,000 head, 800-899 pounds were 495,000 head, 900-999 pounds were 210,000 head, and 1,000 pounds and greater were 85,000 head.

Marketings of fed cattle during April totaled 1.93 million head, 7 percent above 2018.

Other disappearance totaled 60,000 head during April, 5 percent below 2018.

Cattle on Feed Inventory on 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots – United States

